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EDITORIAL NOTES

STATE SOCIETY MEETING, APRIL 1916. FRESNO!! FRESNO!! FRESNO!!

April 18, 19, 20; remember the dates; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

See elsewhere in this number of the JOURNAL for the preliminary program of the scientific sessions.

There will be an interesting discussion of the insurance situation from a number of angles and probably the discussion will be profitable to all.

Write at once to the Secretary of the Committee of Arrangements, Dr. Stanniford, Fresno, for your hotel accommodations—and state just when you will arrive.

Entertainment for all, and of a most enjoyable kind, is being arranged and there is every reason to believe that this will be one of the best and most pleasant meetings the Society has had for a number of years.

Do not fail to attend this meeting. Note the dates right now—April 18, 19, 20. Fresno. Must go. Headquarters hotel is the Hotel Fresno and all the sessions will be held in that hotel.

The roads will be in fine shape and those who like motoring—and who does not?—will enjoy their trip—as well as their visit to this one of our most progressive of the many valley towns.

Fresno, April 18, 19, 20, 1916.

YOUR OFFICE.

Some questions that were casually asked a short time ago have suggested a note from time to time on little things connected with the office of the State Society and its methods of doing business. There are three large steel safes in the office; not burglar-proof but reasonably fireproof; that is, any ordinary fire in the rooms or the building would not attack them seriously. Two of them are quite full and the other is about half full-of records. All the reports of county society membership since the fire are bound and put away in these safes. All correspondence relating to suits for damages for alleged malpractice, or threats, or rumors of threats, are also bound and filed away. All documents in every such case when it is finally terminated, are kept and filed; these files are not yet complete, as many documents are still in the offices of our attorneys; but they will all be duly filed in time. What for? So that we may at any time have at hand all the information possible about any physician who has been or is a member. And also, we are as anxious to file information about those who are not members, but who may some day want to become such. The paper for the JOURNAL is not bought from month to month from some paper house. It is made, once or twice a year, at a mill in Maine. It is made of a special size, weight and quality best adapted to our needs of clear printing and of taking illustrations reasonably well. Having it made exactly to suit our requirements secured a saving of 18% in waste alone and gave us a better paper. Incidentally, by getting our paper in this way and in good quantities, we get a better price on it; and that helps too!

TUBERCULOSIS.

A very successful joint conference of the California Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis and the San Francisco Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis was held in San Francisco on Thursday, January 27th. The session was opened in the morning by an address by the President of the State Medical Society, Dr. Harry M. Sherman. During the morning, papers relating to incipient and advanced cases, clinics, visiting nurses, etc., were discussed; at 12:30, following a luncheon, the broader aspects of the general campaign against tuberculosis were discussed by four speakers, and the sessions continued during the afternoon and evening.

YOUTHFUL PARENT; ORDINARY CHILD.

A gentleman named Redfield, of Chicago, is interested in the subject of eugenics and has compiled some rather out-of-the-way statistics. Of course, "nothing lies like statistics," but at the same time they are interesting. According to his report of researches into the male parent's age of 571 eminent men (direction of eminence not stated) more than half of them were children whose male parent was from 45 to 60 at the time of the birth of the eminent-man-to-be.